

The Church of God Evangel

"And when the day of Pentecost was fully come they were all with one accord in one place." Acts 1:11.
"And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost, and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance." Acts 2:4.

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THE REVIVAL SEASON IS ON

Some Teaching is Necessary, but Salvation
is the All Important Thing.

COURAGE AND ENTHUSIASM ESSENTIAL COMPONENTS

There are certain seasons of power of the Holy Ghost that brought our Lord from the dead (Rom. 8:11) and out He came that beautiful bright Easter morning so early that He was out and gone before Mary arrived although she came so bright and early. John 20:1.

Yes, the revival reason is on.

Easter times bring new life, new vigor, and it is a good time of year to revive the Sunday school work as well as to start into revival work for the salvation of souls. Many, many have been the prayers from honest hearts, pleading for a refreshing from the presence the Lord, as the beautiful warm days of summer approach. These prayers will not be passed by unnoticed by our Father above. Then we may look out for the revival fire to burn more vigorously than ever, the remainder of this year.

But usually with the springing forth of the beautiful flowers, the singing of the birds, the warmth of the sun and the return to life of every form of vegetation, there is a sense of new life and a general revival spirit is felt, so that everybody and everything wants to do something.

There could have been no time selected that was more appropriate for the resurrection of Jesus than in the beautiful spring time. The bursting of the tomb, the bursting of the buds, the nesting of the birds, the shouts of the children as they put off their shoes and take their first run with their bare feet, all blend so beautifully, that all the earth looks brighter and happier.

Easter Sunday speaks so beautifully of the bursting of the band of death and the coming forth of our Lord from Joseph's new tomb. The bursting of egg-shells which discloses the pure white of the eggs, and then the removal of the white which surrounds the yolk and displays its beautiful golden color.

The egg is a beautiful picture of conversion, sanctification, and the baptism of the Holy Ghost. The breaking of the shell is the breaking of the sinner's heart, and the removal of it is like removing the sins as far as the east is from the west from the individual. Then the white is a good representation of the pure clean sanctified life, and the yolk is the golden experience of the baptism of the Holy Ghost.

Referring again to Easter and the resurrection of Jesus, there was the bursting of the Roman seal that was meant to make the tomb secure and keep the body of Jesus within. Then came the rolling away of the stone, and then followed the quickening exceeding abundantly above all

that we ask or think, according to the power that worketh in us." Eph. 2:20. And Paul, who did such wonderful things, declares that the power of God worked in him mightily. "Whereunto I also labor, striving according to his working, which worketh in me mightily." Col. 1:29.

Those engaged in revival work should be in such close touch with the Lord, and so deeply surrendered and spiritual that God can work in them as He knows is best for the salvation of others. "For it is God which worketh in you both to will and to do of his good pleasure." Philippians 1:13. And it is always His good pleasure to work in us to make us soul-winners for Him.

The best and greatest results are not produced by great preaching alone, but they are given by God in answer to great prayers. The preaching is necessary, but the praying is also necessary in order to make the preaching effective. Tell the people how to get saved. Tell them that God will forgive them if they will repent of their sins. Tell them how to get sanctified. Tell them to go to Him in full consecration and humiliation, and surrender so completely they will remain quietly on the altar of sacrifice while the operation is performed. Tell them it is a death rout. Tell them it means death to the old man, instead of absolute perfection of the mind. Tell them it is an instantaneous work, when conditions are met, instead of a gradual growth that never ends. Wherefore Jesus also, that he might sanctify the people with his own blood, suffered without the gate. Let us go forth therefore unto him without the camp, bearing his reproach." Heb. 13:12, 13.

In this way the old man sin is slain. "Knowing this," says Paul, "that our old man is crucified with him, that the body of sin might be destroyed that henceforth we should not serve sin. For he that is dead is freed from sin." Rom. 6:6, 7. Again Paul says, "Put off . . . the old man, which is corrupt according to the deceitful lusts." Eph. 4:22. And again, "Put off the old man with his deeds." Col. 3:9. Then when all this is accomplished, a man can stand in the foot-prints of Paul and say with him, "I am crucified with Christ: nevertheless I live; yet not I, but Christ liveth in me: and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by the faith of the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me." Gal. 2:2.

Of course, some teaching is necessary, but salvation is the all important thing now. Get saved. Get saved NOW, whether you understand the rest or not. Get the people saved. They will be easier taught, and hurry up about it. The copious showers are sure to come, and the time for us to work is while the Lord works. And we must so surrender ourselves to God that He can use us in any manner that pleases Him. Then He works in others in proportion to the way He works in us. "Now unto him that is able to do exceeding abundantly above all

Hurrah for the Evangel!

First issue in our new quarters. Now help us rejoice. Let us altogether give God the Glory due to His name.

Happy Easter tide! Jesus rose! Jesus rose! Tell the good news. Tell it abroad. Tell it far and wide. Tell it to all the world.

Happy resurrection morning. The Church of God Evangel carries the glad news. Now shout!

ciples abandoned everything else and tarried. And they were not disappointed. They did not feel sad and gloomy while they waited, but they were happy and full of rejoicing. "And they worshipped him, and returned to Jerusalem with GREAT JOY: And were continually . . . praising and blessing God." He that is sanctified wholly, and will do this, will soon be filled with the Holy Ghost.

In revival work, courage and enthusiasm are essential components. No one should become discouraged or stubborn because something occurs that does not meet with their approval. I've heard of some saying that certain persons or influences were hurting the work, but I'll tell you what will hurt a revival still more than that. For something to take place that some do not approve, and the workers get stubborn and refuse to sing, or pray or work on account of the things that they do not approve. That will kill any revival unless the preacher has sufficient courage and perseverance to shout and rejoice right over it until the workers will catch the enthusiasm and get ashamed of their frowns and side talks and caucuses and break into the work as if nothing had happened to becloud their sense of propriety.

Whoever it is, whether man or woman, that loads up with responsibility and says, "I feel like I must take care of this work and put down everything that is improper," will be a hurt to a revival. You will see such a person pull off a few friends to one side and talk low about something, and look sad and his "sense of propriety," will be the greater hurt to the revival. I'd rather be alone than have a set of workers that will spend their time in that way when they ought to have grace enough to put a saddle on every apparent improper thing and ride it through with a shout of triumph. In revivals people need the courage of Paul and the fiery enthusiasm of Peter. Have these two virtues blended, in the preacher and all the workers, and a revival is sure. This will mean much prayer, much deep consecration on the part of the workers in their private devotion, and fire and victory in testimony, in song and at the altar in open services. Get the flame. Keep it burning with holy zeal and victory. never pout and look around to see if you can find something to criticize. Do not condemn, but edify. Do not accuse, but love. Do not testify at one another, but look sweet, and sweeten every body you can with the sweetness

wherewith God has sweetened you.

Do all this, and more as the Holy Spirit reveals, and the revival fire will burn in your bones, and this will touch others. And soon the refreshing shower from the presence of the Lord will fall and souls who are ready will be swept into the fold.

Hallelujah! I feel it coming now. It surely will come, and not tarry much longer. Glory!

Gunter Park, Va.

Dear Brother Tomlinson:

After hearing brother Crowder preach a few times on sanctification and the Baptism with the Holy Ghost, I sought and obtained the wonderful experience. I was sanctified before I heard the doctrine preached. I had no knowledge of what the scriptures teach concerning the experience, but I had met conditions and God had given me just what I needed. I was the first at this place to receive the Holy Ghost, but a number have received since that time.

I can never express the joy, peace, and comfort, which the Holy Ghost brings into our lives. I know this is the right way.

We have wonderful meetings here. The Lord certainly does bless His people.

I wish I could go all over the world and tell every body about this wonderful salvation.

Please pray for me.

Your sister,
Margaret Dean.

Key West, Fla.

Dear Evangel Family:
May grace, love and peace be multiplied unto you.

I praise the Lord today for victory in my soul through the blood of Jesus. I am a member of the Lord's Church, which He said He would present without a spot or wrinkle. My prayers are constantly ascending to God, that He will cleanse away every defect and mould us in His image.

I do praise the Lord for the visit of our overseer. The Lord certainly did use brother Perry in giving out the word. The saints were edified and made to rejoice in the God of their salvation, and two were added to the church.

Dearly beloved, pray for them that have the rule over you for they watch for your souls.

Please pray that I may live at the feet of Jesus.

Your humble servant,
W. F. Hesson.

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To get the Church of God
Evangel in the home of every
member of the church.

I am sure that every member
ought to read the Evangel every
week. We must organize a plan
of some kind to accomplish this.
Let us make an immediate ef-
fort. Hopethe members who read
the paper regularly will take
an interest in the matter and try
to get every member to be a paid
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the paper in every home.

I have already agreed to pay
half the price for any of the
members that the church consid-
er too poor to pay, provided the
church of which these poor are
members will pay the other half.

This is certainly a liberal offer
and the churches should make
an extra effort, and where practi-
cal and considered necessary
make a regular canvass of all
members and see that the paper
is placed in the homes of every
member.

Let us again say, Hurrah for
the Evangel, and boost its circu-
lation.

Ft. Ogden, Fla.

Dear Evangel Family:

I am so glad to say that after
living in sin sixty-eight years,
I laid aside my old stone pipe
and took up the cross of Christ,
and He cleansed my heart from
all sin and made me a free man.
I am standing on the promises of
God, and leaning on His ever-
lasting arms.

I am ready and waiting to
meet my Savior in the glory land,
where I can shout and praise
Him forever. I am seventy
years of age, and will soon be
there.

Please pray for me.
Your brother,
Isaac Johns.

Millport, Ala.

Dear Editor and Friends:

Through Jesus I still have the
victory. I am so glad I am on
the Lord's side, walking in the
light as it comes to me. I am
pressing onward to the deeper
experiences of grace.

I know the Lord has redeemed
me with His own precious blood,
and baptized me with the Holy
Ghost. He heals me too, when
I need a physician.

This is a great salvation. The
manner in which God is dealing
with His people in these last days,
is indeed marvelous. I appreciate
the privilege of living in this
age of the world.

I do not live near a church,
therefore I do not have the privi-
lege of meeting with the saints
in worship; but I read the Evangel,
which is a comfort and blessing
to me.

Your sister,
Eileen Janes.

Called Home.

Our dear Sister Cora Rogers,
daughter of Sister Fussell, of
Alva, Fla., departed this life
Mar. 12, 1917. A husband,
father, mother, three sisters and
many friends, are left to mourn
her loss.

Sister Cora was baptized with
the Holy Ghost, and a faithful
member of the Church of God.
We shall never forget her glow-
ing testimony. During the last
few hours of her life, her suffer-
ings were the most intense, but
she prayed and praised the Lord
as long as she was conscious.

Her sister in Jesus,
Annie Edenfield,
Wimauma, Fla.

At Rest.

After an illness of four weeks
with typhoid fever, Brother
Willie Nelson of Rockwood,
Tenn., on Mar. 10 1917, went to
be with Jesus. He was a faithful
christian, baptized with the
Holy Ghost, and trusted God to
the end.

Please pray for the widow
left to mourn his loss, who is also
ill with typhoid fever.

A brother,
Sam. Thornburg.

Finleyson, Ga.

Dear Editor and Readers:

We are truly glad to sound the
gospel of Jesus Christ to our lost
people in this dark corner of the
world.

Brother M. S. Lemons and Jno.
L. Stephens were with us recent-
ly, for several days.

Brother Lemons is a mighty

man in the scriptures; the Lord
used him wonderfully in giving
out the word rightly deviled, in
all of its beauty.

The saints were truly blessed,
and gave thanks to God, with
shouts of praise and dancing for
the glory of the Lord.

Behold, how good and how
pleasant it is for the brethren to
dwell together in unity; that the
Lord can bless His people.

On Tuesday night as brother
Stephens was preaching to us,
the Holy Ghost came in and took
possession of the services, and of
course we shouted for joy and
gave up to Him, and let Him
have His way. The time was
well spent in praises, talking in
tongues as the Spirit gave
utterance, and dancing in the
joy of the Lord.

Five were added to the church;
three from the Apostolic Holiness
church, and two from the
Missionary Baptist church.

We long to see brothers Lemons
and Stephens come to us again.
May God bless them in their ef-
forts to advance the cause of
Christ.

Yours for Jesus,
Barney A. Reynolds.

A Miracle of the Last Day.

To the Household of Faith:

In Eldorado, Ill., God has
demonstrated His power and
willingness to heal the sick.

About nine months ago Edna
Hops, a girl of about eighteen
years, was paralyzed, and taken
to Harrisburg for an operation,
but never walked a step for seven
months. She was as helpless
as a baby, and had to be carried
around.

On Sunday night her parents
brought her to church, and
asked the people of God to pray
for her healing. We prayed for
her, the power of the Holy
Ghost came upon her, and she
was saved and healed at the
same time, and walked, jumped
and shouted all over the house
for one and one-half hours.
This miraculous, instantaneous
healing has stirred Eldorado.
Some said she became excited;
that it would amount to nothing,
and the day afterward, the family
had a house full of visitors.
But regardless of all unbelief,
God is honoring His Holy Child
Jesus.

D. P. Barnett.

A call from Friendsville, Tenn.

I request every reader to pray
for God to send some one, full of
the Holy Ghost, to Friendsville,
Tenn., to preach the full Gospel.
We desire more light on the
Word of God.

I am saved and sanctified, but
have not been baptized with the
Holy Ghost.

Your sister in Christ,
Maggie Huffman.

A Request.

I want to ask every child of
God to pray a special prayer for
my dear sister, Stella Pender-
grass, who has been afflicted
with cancer for two years. She
has had two operations, but is
no better by having had them.
She suffers a great deal; and we
know she cannot be cured except
by power divine.

I pray that she may be sanc-

A REMARKABLE CONVERSION

The God of Saul of Tarsus Yet Living

Dear Friends:

Knowing that you are all interested in the great work of
God, and in the advancement of
the cause of Christ, I desire to
give you an instance of His miracle-working power. The conver-
sion of brother Mack Price, who,
though not a sinner of the same
type as Saul of Tarsus, yet was
a very great sinner indeed.

Brother Mack was an outlaw;
and had caused no little trouble
in his country. But the time
came when the Spirit of God
spoke to his heart, and he sur-
rendered, repented, paid the
price and God saved, sanctified
and baptized him with the Holy
Ghost.

However, he had been prosecut-
ed prior to his conver-
sion, for selling strong drinks,
but when he was brought before
the court and the witnesses were
sworn, it was evident that they
did not want to convict him be-
cause of the great change in his
life. The judge called brother
Price to the stand and asked him
if he were guilty; he replied,
"I am guilty; I cannot afford to
tell a falsehood." He then pro-
ceeded to give the judge an ac-
count of how God had forgiven
him of his sins, and then told
him to send him to the peniten-
tiary if he chose, that he could
tell the prisoners of this great
salvation. The judge gave him
a sentence of four months in the
gang, and told the sheriff to take
him to jail. He went to shout-
ing; and when he arrived at the
jail, began preaching to the pris-
oners in such a loud voice that he
disturbed the court, and the
judge sent him word to not
preach during court hours, but
when the messenger got there,
brother Price was preaching
with such power, he could not
tell him just then. The pris-
oners, too, were melted under the
influence and power of the Holy
Spirit. During the sermon
brother Price took some live
coals from the heater and held
them in his hand while he
preached.

The next day the judge called
for him and said: "Mack are
you willing to pay the cost?" He
answered, "I am." The judge
then said, "I will take the sen-
tence off and let you pay the
cost."

Brother Price is a German.
He came to America at the age
of nineteen years. Now while
his country is in war with the
nations, he is in America, fight-
ing in the Army of the Lord
against sin and Satan. At pres-
ent he is in Turtletown, N. C.,
taking care of the Lord's little
flock.

Praise the Lord for such a
wonderful salvation.

Your brother in Christ,
T. A. Richard.

tified and filled with the Holy
Ghost, and if it can be God's will,
healed.

Maggie Poe,
Hixon, Tenn.

IN JAIL

For the Word of God.

Thursday morning, Apr. 5, as
we go to press a wire message
came from sister Delia Brouayer,
Strawn, Texas, stating that brother
Brouayer is in jail. No particulars given. Hope to have
the particulars and other information for the paper next week.

ARE YOU SAVED?

L. J. Vollrath.

The majority of people today,
are on their way to hell; but seem
to be unconscious of the fact.
Some realize their condition;
others will not stop long enough
to think. They are going in a
mad rush for pleasure, riches,
worldly honor, and for everything
but God.

"Go ye into all world and
preach the gospel to every creature.
He that believeth and is
baptized shall be saved; but he
that believeth not shall be
damned. And these signs shall
follow them that believe; in my
name shall they cast out devils;
they shall speak with new tongues;
they shall take up serpents; and
if they drink any deadly thing
it shall not hurt them; they shall
lay hands on the sick, and they
shall recover. (Mark 16: 16-18).
Some one will say, "Oh I believe,
and have been baptized; I am a
Baptist from head to foot." But
do the signs appear in your
church? and do you live free from
sin? No. Well, you must repent,
get saved, sanctified, and bap-
tized with the Holy Ghost, and
you will speak with other tongues.

"Oh yes." I hear some one say,
"you are one of those Holiness
fanatics, and we do not have to
take what you have to say about
it." Quite true; you don't have
to take, neither do we want you
to take, what we say about it;
but you DO have to take what
the Bible says if you are justified
in the sight of God. If you live
according to the word of God
if you keep His commandments,
you will be filled with the Spirit
and speak with other tongues.

A great many church members
say they can't live without sin,
and I suppose they can not, as
they have never been saved. It
means a great deal to be saved
from our sins. When we get
saved, and sanctified, and filled
with the Spirit, we have no desire
to sin. We do not want to drink
intoxicants, curse, chew tobacco,
go to shows, etc.

We are transformed; we are
"made over;" our desires are dif-
ferent; we hate the sinful prac-
tices in which we were once en-
gaged, and our hearts are full of
love and praise to God.

The advancement of His cause
is our one ambition. If this is
not our experience, we are far
from the "narrow way" of the
Bible.

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Needed, More Interest in Every ✓ Phase of the Lord's Work

SAM C. PERRY

In our public services there is always a tendency to fall into a beaten out rut or channel, and have things over and over after the same fashion.

A sameness in the Sunday morning service, a sameness in the Sunday school and prayer services, and the testimonies are often the same thing repeated over and over, as also the prayers.

Now we do not mention these things by way of a criticism, but there is a danger of losing interest, and the work falling off, if we do not remedy these things some times.

We should labor to keep the interest up to the highest pitch, and even where we have done our best there is little enough accomplished, and people often get tired of the same things again and again, unless we have learned how to dress up the same thoughts and truths in new words and put them in a new light or in a different way. It has been said that "variety is the spice of life," and this is true in our religious work, too.

In undertaking the accomplishment of some difficult tasks men have tried one way and then another and another until they found the best way of meeting the difficulties and carrying out their purpose, and so in the work of saving souls. We must not think that God has only one way of doing things, or one way to reach hearts, He uses many methods and means of carrying on His work.

The sermon reaches one, and good ringing testimony another, and a prayer touches another while another may be touched with the song. We need then to be in the Spirit at all times that the Lord may be able to work as He pleases, and not be so formal that the Holy Ghost is crowded out or else has to work to suit a cut and dried program.

Then there are times when the Lord can use some evangelist or minister to stir your people, more than He can use you. Some times people get so accustomed to a minister that his preaching and everything he does is old to them, and some minister they have never seen may be greatly used in bringing a revival. This is a very natural thing and should not cause surprise. If a pastor keeps up a fresh interest in his work at the same place for as much as three or four years, he must move forward in prayer and Bible study and make progress or people will soon learn all that he knows and he can lead them no further, hence his preaching to them becomes uninteresting, and he feels that he is not appreciated, etc., and work drops, and all hands become feeble and faint. So in most cases it is best to change pastors occasionally, at least every two years, and in some cases every year. Some times we have noticed evangelists going right over the same territory until they more themselves out with the people, and

perhaps they never knew what was the trouble. Hunt a new field brother. When you shot all the game your gun will reach let another who uses a calibre which is a little different try his hand there.

Then as to the services, sometimes it is best not to have a testimony meeting. If you are a leader study to know when that time comes, and there are times when a good testimony meeting is just the thing to meet things. But we have seen meetings talked to death by a lot of dry testimonies, and there are some who get up from time to time and speak the same things over and over. Try to avoid this, have something new and fresh every time to speak for the glory of God. Tell your feelings and experiences in a new and better way from time to time, and don't exalt self but Jesus.

The Sunday school should be conducted in a way, too, to keep out of a cut and dried way. The teachers should so study the lessons and store their minds with truths in connection with the lesson that they will make it interesting for every member of the class, when they come together. There are so few good Sunday school teachers. The lesson should be made interesting for the children, and they will love the Sunday school and it will be a blessing to them. But to how many is it a drag, they care not go there and hear the teacher read the questions and answers. Let us stir ourselves on this line dear Sunday school workers.

Then a good thing for any church is a good Bible class, when there is a suitable person, either man or woman to teach it. How often this has worked good to the church and community.

It could occupy Sunday afternoon or any night in the week that is not used for something else.

This class should be made just as spicy and interesting to both young and old as possible. It could be greatly used in spreading the truth and establishing the saints if properly conducted.

We believe that box suppers, parties, entertainments and every thing of a worldly nature is an abomination to the Lord, but we are sure that He wants us to use every means possible to extend the gospel, save souls, and prepare His bride for translation, and judging from the coldness, lack of interest, falling away, etc., that may be seen along the way, there is plenty of room for improvement in the present day methods. Let us one and all make an effort in every possible way to move forward.

WANTED—A position with some Church of God family by a widow lady with one boy 13 years old and a member of the Church of God at Largo, Fla. Address, Mrs. H. H. Leigh,

Largo, Fla.

Preston, Md.

Dear Brother Tomlinson:

It does my soul so much good to read the Evangel. It encourages me to "press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ" Jesus (Phil. 3: 14); "looking unto Jesus, the author and finisher of our faith" (Heb. 12: 2). I was converted in the Methodist Church, when a girl of fifteen years; and lived a justified life the very best I knew. Eleven years ago some Holiness people came our way preaching sanctification. God gave me the light, and sent such conviction to my heart, that I saw I must either go on and get sanctified, or backslide. Praise His Name, I went on. I have never regretted that I walked in the light.

Two years ago the Lord baptized me with the Holy Ghost with the Bible evidence of speaking in other tongues as the Spirit gave utterance. (Acts 2:1). These are the best days of my life. The Comforter brings joy and peace with the world know nothing about. I am so glad I learned that Jesus can heal, and does heal, today just as He did long ago. Praise His Name forever! I am on the victory side with a determination to go through with Jesus.

Your sister in Christ,
Mrs. S. W. Harding.

Southside, Tenn.

Dear Brother Tomlinson and all the Saints—Greetings in the name of Jesus:

After having lived in sin thirty-nine years, in January 1917, I was saved, sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost.

Friends, I want everybody to know that God has saved me—a horse-swapper! Would you believe it? My people were all Methodists and Baptists, and tried to lead me that way, but I could never believe in them.

As soon as I heard this gospel preached, I did everything I could against it for a while, but soon found that I was wrong and they were right. I then began seeking God, whom I soon found, and am now rejoicing in this great salvation.

This is a clean way, and the only way to heaven. The joy and blessing obtained in this life, to say nothing of the life beyond, is worth far more than the price I had to pay.

I am delighted with the Church of God.

Your brother in Christ,
C. B. Coke.

Anclote, Fla.

Dear Brother Tomlinson and all the Saints:

I am praising God for sending Sister Cotton, Sister Blanche Koon, and Sister Lula Jones, to Anclote to preach the true gospel. I accepted it; and the Lord saved me, sanctified me, and gave me the Holy Ghost with the Bible evidence of speaking with other tongues as the Spirit gave utterance. Praise His Name!

I want the saints to pray that my wife may receive a deeper experience.

The power of the devil at this place is strong, but with the help

of the Lord we can overcome. Praise the Lord!

Your brother in Christ,
J. H. Johns.

Daisy, Tenn.

Dear Brother Tomlinson and all the Saints:

I am rejoicing in this free and full salvation which has come to us through the precious Blood of Jesus. I know I am a child of God, for He gave me the Holy Ghost with the evidence of speaking in other tongues as the Spirit gave utterance, just as the disciples did at Pentecost. I am trusting God for soul and body; and by His grace I mean to go through.

Your sister,
Lora Wynn

Dublin, Miss.

Dear Evangel Family:

I have been a sufferer since May, 1916. I am hardly able to write, but I desire to ask the prayers of the saints. I am saved, and sanctified, and baptized with the Holy Ghost, and am trusting my body in the hands of the Lord. I have told the Lord that I am willing to live or die, or suffer. I want you to pray that I may endure my suffering with patience.

Your sister,
Laura Nelson.

McCall, S. C.

To the Saints Everywhere—Greetings:

Dearly beloved, there are only two churches in the state of South Carolina. So many have never heard of the Church of God.

If I were to try, I could not describe the awful condition of the people. Do they have preaching? Yes; and almost every kind except the right kind. It is sad to see them gather from time to time, and be fed with nothing save mere husks.

The overseer of the state is trying to get a tent with which to evangelize the state. I hope everyone will pray that God will supply this need. We are going to do our best to cover a good portion of the state through the summer season; and I am sure you will feel repaid, as the Evangel brings to you the reports of souls being saved.

Mary McHargue.

Morristown, Tenn.

Dear Brother Tomlinson:

I was blessedly sanctified about ten years ago, and about one year later, was baptized with the Holy Ghost and spoke in other tongues as the Spirit gave utterance, though at that time I did not know the Bible taught such an experience.

I was a member of the Church of God at one time, and withdrew from the church, but when brother Payne came and led me into the light more perfectly, I reunited with the church.

I feel that the Lord would have me go out into the mountains to work for Him, and desire to ask the earnest prayers of all the readers. Brother Lee is here for a few days meeting. Please pray that the Lord will bless the efforts put forth for Him.

Your sister in Jesus,
Francis Bacon.

Heflin, Ala.

To the Saints of God—Greetings in Jesus name:

I praise God for victory through the Blood of Jesus.

I am in a good meeting now. Two have received the Holy Ghost. Several are seeking. Brother Otis McCoy, wife and daughter are with me, and I am expecting Aunt Sue Burton in our band as soon as we can get into tent work.

I need a living tent, oil stove and a lamp for the gospel tent. If the brother who promised to give us the living tent will send it, or write us, we will appreciate it very much.

I am almost ready to start out in tent work. People in every direction are begging us to come and I am anxious to go. Please pray that God will supply us with an outfit for camping.

Ask the Lord to give us many souls this year.

Thy brother,
J. B. Ellis.

Hickory Point, Tenn.

Dear Brother Tomlinson:

I am glad to report victory in my soul. Brother Marshal Weakley, my wife, and I, have just closed a meeting here at Hickory Point. Seven were saved, sanctified, and filled with the Holy Ghost. There are about thirty to be baptized, and twenty to come into the church. This is a ripe harvestfield. We expect to begin a meeting next Saturday, at Fox Bluff. Please pray for us.

Your humble servant,
Lee McGill.

Canton, N.C.

Dear Brother Tomlinson:

I want to write a few words for Jesus because He has done so much for me.

The Lord is working in Canton; five have lately received the Holy Ghost. We have no church here, but I am praying that we will have one soon.

Recently, I was called to pray for a sick baby, and while we were praying the father was baptized with the Holy Ghost. "For we heard him speak in tongues."

The people said the child would die if they did not get a doctor, but as we prayed and laid hands upon it, the healing power came, and in an instant the child was healed.

The gospel was first preached in Canton about two years ago. There are about fifteen who have the baptism with the Holy Ghost.

Please pray for us, that we may stand true, and hold the banner high.

Your sister in Christ
Dulcenia Davis.

Alachua, Fla.

Dear Editor and Evangel Family:

I have been a reader of the Evangel for some time, and appreciate it very much. It is such a comfort to my poor hungry soul.

God has wonderfully blessed us, but I desire the prayers of the saints, that we as a community, may be able to press forward and receive more light on the Word of God.

Your unworthy sister,
Mrs. Loca Hadcock,

THE CHURCH OF GOD EVANGEL

Darburn, Miss.

Dear Editor and Friends:

My heart goes out in gratitude to God for shining upon my path-way, in these the latter days, this marvelous light. Life is so much sweeter since I've been living for Jesus.

We have cottage prayer meeting every week, and the Lord "confirms the word with signs following."

We are building a new church, and will soon have it ready for dedication. Please pray that God will convict and save the people.

I had the privilege of hearing brother J. A. Davis, Thursday night, as he gave out the truth under the mighty power of God. It was food to my soul.

May God bless the efforts that are being put forth for the salvation of the lost world.

Your sister in Christ,
Mrs. H. M. Braeey.

Middlesboro, Ky.

Dear Brother Tomlinson and Saints:

I wish we could talk face to face, I long for the time when we shall all be together with Jesus, our blessed Redeemer.

God has done great things for us, and we love Him with all of our hearts.

I want to ask the children of God to pray for the work of God at this place. We were once organized, and in unity, but the enemy came against us and to a great extent prevailed; but we praise the Lord for the few who are standing true. We want to do the whole will of God. please pray for us.

Your brother,
C. W. Everly.

Morgantown, Miss.

My Dear Brother Tomlinson— Greetings in the Name of the Crucified Saviour, who spilled His precious Blood on Calvary for our redemption:

It has been just a few years since we heard of this wonderful salvation, but it is not new; the plan was made before the foundation of the world. It gets better and more glorious, as we go on to know more of God.

My heart is filled with joy as I read the Church of God Evangel. We have been subscribers ever since we heard of the way of holiness.

We had a good meeting in Morgan Town, conducted by Brother J. A. Davis.

Please pray for me and for my family.

Your brother,
C. C. Morgan.

Crane Eater, Ga.

Dear Brother Tomlinson:

I want to sound a note of praise to the Lord for the blessings He has given me. He has saved, sanctified, baptized me with the Holy Ghost, and healed my body. I've been in the way two years. I am so glad I have found just what my soul was hungering for.

The Lord has certainly honored this people with His mighty presence and power.

Pray for us that we may stay in the center of His will.

Effie Dupree.

Oneonta, Ala.

Dear Brother Tomlinson and Friends:

There is in my heart today, a deep settled peace, which no one can take from me. Glory to God!

I am so glad the Holy Spirit led me into the humble way, where I can walk with Jesus, and have protection from sin and Satan.

We are very grateful to God for sending brother and sister Hickman to preach the gospel to us; but we need a preacher now to preach to the many hungry souls.

Pray for this place.
Olie Newson.

Olney, Ill.

To God's Children Everywhere—

Greetings:

Jesus is so precious to me; a present helper in every time of need.

I am so glad brother and sister Trim came to Illinois to preach the gospel; I am one of the few who accepted it.

When I first heard this gospel, I was a backslider; but I soon met conditions and was converted, sanctified, and baptized with the Holy Ghost, with the evidence of speaking with other tongues as the Spirit gave utterance.

There are seven of us in family, and we all trust God for healing.

This is a needy field: people are deceived with nearly all kinds of false doctrines.

Please pray for us.

Your brother in Jesus,
M. J. Curl.

Liverwort, Tenn.

Dear Brother Tomlinson And Saints Everywhere:

God is wonderfully blessing here in Liverwort. Before Christmas there were thirty-five members; now there are fifty. Sinners are getting under conviction, and some have been so deeply convicted they sent during the night for the saints to come and pray for them.

Brother and Sister Aylor did some good work, but they are gone to Florida, so we have no preacher now; we are expecting the Lord to send us one soon. We are expecting great things from God.

Thomas Milom.

Alachua, Fla.

Dear brother Tomlinson and all the saints:

I am praising God for complete salvation, He has saved, sanctified, and baptized me with the Holy Ghost; and I'm rejoicing today, in my Savior's love. I am trusting God to lead me on to deeper things.

I had to give up every thing for Jesus, but I am more than repaid for all I ever gave up. I love Him with all of my heart, and want to walk close by His side.

Bessie Peebles.

London, Ky.

Dear Brother Tomlinson:

If the words spoken to Peter by Jesus when He said feed My sheep had also been spoken to Brother John W. Pitcher when

he came to London the messages delivered could not have been more aptly or effectually spoken.

Brother Pitcher found us far short of our duty but by his faithful, effective labors, consecrated life and preaching under the anointing of the Holy Spirit, led us to a plane of victory and zeal that is sure to tell in eternity.

Almost the entire opposition to the doctrine of the Baptism of the Holy Spirit was overcome.

Those who had rejected or denounced the teaching attended the services and endorsed the meeting.

A number were blessed in the congregation and at the altar.

More than twenty were at the altar at the closing service, and conviction is quite general in the town which I am sure is only a splendid preliminary to a camp meeting Brother Pitcher has promised to conduct for us beginning June 17.

We are praising God for the grace He is bestowing. Pray for us.

Your brother in Christ,
George F. Lucas.

Ensley, Ala.

Dear Brother Tomlinson and all the Saints:

I am rejoicing today in this great salvation. The Lord has been very merciful to me. He has saved me from all of my sins, cleansed my heart, and given me the Comforter whom He promised to His disciples.

I am living where I do not have the privilege of meeting with God's people, but each week my soul is fed by the little Evangel. As I read its pages I can feel the power that comes from the pen of the inspired writers.

We praise the Lord for the few services conducted here, by brother Simpson and a band of workers. There was shouting, dancing, and talking in tongues. One lady was saved, and another came into the church. There were several seekers in the altar, and the people in general were interested. They love brother Simpson and want him to come again.

Please Pray for me and my family.

Your sister in Christ,
Lillian Zollicoffer.

Tuscumbia, Ala.

Dear Brother Tomlinson:

I desire to praise the Lord today, especially for His healing power. Our little girl of seven years was taken very sick with pneumonia fever, and became quite seriously sick indeed. We prayed and prayed; we called for the saints, and they prayed; still my child was no better. My faith failed and I went for some medicine, and gave it to her. She grew rapidly worse. So I suggested to my wife that we turn the case over to the Lord and trust Him; then we knelt and placed everything in the hands of the Lord, and are continuing to trust Him for her complete restoration to health.

No man can preach the Bible without preaching divine healing, and it occurs to me that it is a poor preacher, who does not practice what he preaches.

I have been informed that the "Church of God folks are wrong, but I have concluded they are

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Pray For Sister Leatherman.

Sister Lucy M. Leatherman, our South American missionary is probably now on her way down the west coast of South America going from Panama to Valparaiso, Chili.

As she enters the great work of God to introduce the Church of God in the great continent, she needs our prayers, sympathy and hearty co-operation.

As soon as we know her established address we will give it in the Evangel and we want a number of our loved ones to write her letters of cheer and love, and tell her you are praying for her.

Asleep In Jesus.

Jane Endelle Harper fell asleep in Jesus Mar. 16, 1917. She leaves to mourn her loss, a father, mother, five sisters, and a host of relatives and friends. The funeral service was conducted by Rev. E. L. Knowles.

Pray that the Holy Spirit will soothe the bereaved ones.

Delma Hamilton.